

## Decay2 (nihils' Maw)

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Decay:  
The Symptoms of Kali-yuga  
Nihils Maw

sri-suka uvaca  
tatas canu-dinam dharmah  
satyam saucam ksama daya  
kalena balina rajan  
nanksyaty ayur balam smrtih

Sukadeva Gosvami said: Then, O King, religion,  
truthfulness, cleanliness, tolerance, mercy,  
duration of life, physical strength and memory will all  
diminish day by day because of the  
powerful influence of the age of Kali.

vittam eva kalau nrnam  
janmacara-gunodayah  
dharma-nyaya-vyavasthayam  
karanam balam eva hi

In Kali-yuga, wealth alone will be considered the sign  
of a man's good birth,  
proper behavior and fine qualities. And law and justice  
will be applied only on  
the basis of one's power.

dampatye 'bhirucir hetur  
mayaiva vyavaharike  
stritve pumstve ca hi ratir  
vipratve sutram eva hi

Men and women will live together merely because of  
superficial attraction,  
and success in business will depend on deceit.  
Womanliness and manliness  
will be judged according to one's expertise in sex, and  
a man will be known  
as a brahmana just by his wearing a thread.

lingam evasrama-khyatav  
anyonyapatti-karanam  
avrttya nyaya-daurbalyam  
panditye capalam vacah

A person's spiritual position will be ascertained  
merely according to external symbols,  
and on that same basis people will change from one  
spiritual order to the next.  
A person's propriety will be seriously questioned if he  
does not earn a good living.  
And one who is very clever at juggling words will be  
considered a learned scholar.

anadhyataivasadhutve  
sadhutve dambha eva tu  
svikara eva codvahe

snanam eva prasadhanam

A person will be judged unholy if he does not have money, and hypocrisy will be accepted as virtue. Marriage will be arranged simply by verbal agreement, and a person will think he is fit to appear in public if he has merely taken a bath.

dure vary-ayanam tirtham  
lavanyam kesa-dharanam  
udaram-bharata svarthah  
satyatve dharstyam eva hi  
daksyam kutumba-bharanam  
yaso 'rthe dharma-sevanam

A sacred place will be taken to consist of no more than a reservoir of water located at a distance, and beauty will be thought to depend on one's hairstyle. Filling the belly will become the goal of life, and one who is audacious will be accepted as truthful. He who can maintain a family will be regarded as an expert man, and the principles of religion will be observed only for the sake of reputation.

evam prajabhir dustabhir  
akirne ksiti-mandale  
brahma-vit-ksatra-sudranam  
yo bali bhavita nrpah

As the earth thus becomes crowded with a corrupt population, whoever among any of the social classes shows himself to be the strongest will gain political power.

praja hi lubdhai rajanyair  
nirghrnair dasyu-dharmabhih  
acchinna-dara-dravina  
yasyanti giri-kananam

Losing their wives and properties to such avaricious and merciless rulers, who will behave no better than ordinary thieves, the citizens will flee to the mountains and forests.

saka-mulamisa-ksaudra-  
phala-puspasti-bhojanah  
anavrsty vinanksyanti  
durbhiksa-kara-piditah

Harassed by famine and excessive taxes, people will resort to eating leaves, roots, flesh, wild honey, fruits, flowers and seeds. Struck by drought, they will become completely ruined.

sita-vatatapa-pravrd-  
himair anyonyatah prajah

ksut-trdbhyam vyadhibhis caiva

santapsyante ca cintaya

The citizens will suffer greatly from cold, wind, heat,  
rain and snow.  
They will be further tormented by quarrels, hunger,  
thirst, disease and severe anxiety.

trimsad vimsati varsani  
paramayuh kalau nrnam

The maximum duration of life for human beings in Kali-  
yuga will become fifty years.

ksiyamanesu dehesu  
dehinam kali-dosatah  
varnasramavatam dharme  
naste veda-pathe nrnam  
pasanda-pracure dharme  
dasyu-prayesu rajasu  
cauryanrta-vrtha-himsa-  
nana-vrttisu vai nrsu  
sudra-prayesu varnesu  
cchaga-prayasu dhenusu  
grha-prayesu asramesu  
yauna-prayesu bandhusu  
anu-prayasv osadhisu  
sami-prayesu sthasnusu  
vidyut-prayesu meghe  
sunya-prayesu sadmasu  
ittham kalau gata-praye  
janesu khara-dharmisu  
dharma-tranaya sattvena  
bhagavan avatarisyati

By the time the age of Kali ends, the bodies of all  
creatures will be greatly reduced  
in size, and the religious principles of followers of  
varnasrama will be ruined.  
The path of the Vedas will be completely forgotten in  
human society,  
and so-called religion will be mostly atheistic. The  
kings will mostly be thieves,  
the occupations of men will be stealing, lying and  
needless violence,  
and all the social classes will be reduced to the  
lowest level of sudras.  
Cows will be like goats, spiritual hermitages will be  
no different from mundane houses,  
and family ties will extend no further than the  
immediate bonds of marriage.  
Most plants and herbs will be tiny, and all trees will  
appear like dwarf sami trees.  
Clouds will be full of lightning, homes will be devoid  
of piety,  
and all human beings will have become like asses.  
At that time, the Supreme Personality of Godhead will  
appear on the earth.  
Acting with the power of pure spiritual goodness, He  
will rescue eternal religion.

caracara-guror visnor  
isvarasyakhilatmanah  
dharma-tranaya sadhunam

janma karmapanuttaye

Lord Visnu-the Supreme Personality of Godhead, the  
spiritual master of all moving  
and nonmoving living beings, and the Supreme Soul of  
all-takes birth to protect  
the principles of religion and to relieve His saintly  
devotees from the reactions of  
material work.

sambhala-grama-mukhyasya  
brahmanasya mahatmanah  
bhavane visnuyasasah  
kalkih pradurbhavisyati

Lord Kalki will appear in the home of the most eminent  
brahmana of Sambhala village,  
the great soul Visnuyasa.

asvam asu-gam aruhya  
devadattam jagat-patih  
asinasadhu-damanam  
astaisvarya-gunanvitah  
vicarann asuna ksaunyam  
hayenapratima-dyutih  
nrpa-linga-cchado dasyun  
kotiso nihanisyati

Lord Kalki, the Lord of the universe, will mount His  
swift horse Devadatta and,  
sword in hand, travel over the earth exhibiting His  
eight mystic opulences and eight special  
qualities of Godhead. Displaying His unequalled  
effulgence and riding with great speed,  
He will kill by the millions those thieves who have  
dared dress as kings.

atha tesam bhavisyanti  
manamsi visadani vai  
vasudevanga-ragati-  
punya-gandhanila-sprsam  
paura-janapadanam vai  
hatesv akhila-dasyusu

After all the impostor kings have been killed, the  
residents of the cities and towns will  
feel the breezes carrying the most sacred fragrance of  
the sandalwood paste and other  
decorations of Lord Vasudeva, and their minds will  
thereby become transcendently pure.

tesam praja-visargas ca  
sthavisthah sambhavisyati  
vasudeve bhagavati  
sattva-murtau hrđi sthite

When Lord Vasudeva, the Supreme Personality of Godhead,  
appears in their hearts  
in His transcendental form of goodness, the remaining  
citizens will abundantly repopulate  
the earth.